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# SENATE RESOLUTION

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URGING CONGRESS TO AMEND TITLE 42 UNITED STATES CODE SECTION  
16355 AND LIFT THE PROHIBITION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW  
NATIONAL LABORATORIES.

1 WHEREAS, for the past seventy years, the national  
2 laboratories have served as the leading institutions for  
3 scientific innovation in the United States, spurred on by an  
4 outgrowth of immense investment in scientific research initiated  
5 by the United States during World War II; and  
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7 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Energy's seventeen  
8 national laboratories tackle the critical scientific challenges  
9 of our time, from combating climate change to discovering the  
10 origins of our universe, and possess unique instruments and  
11 facilities, many of which are found nowhere else in the world;  
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14 WHEREAS, these national laboratories address large scale,  
15 complex research and development challenges with a  
16 multidisciplinary approach that places an emphasis on  
17 translating basic science and innovation; and  
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19 WHEREAS, title 42 United States Code section 16355 states  
20 that after August 8, 2005, the Secretary of Energy shall not  
21 designate a facility that is not listed in title 42 United  
22 States Code section 15801(3) as a national laboratory; now,  
23 therefore,  
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature  
26 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019, that Congress  
27 is urged to amend title 42 United States Code section 16355 and  
28 lift the prohibition on the establishment of new national  
29 laboratories; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Majority Leader of the United  
3 States Senate, Speaker of the United States House of  
4 Representatives, and members of the Hawaii congressional  
5 delegation.  
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OFFERED BY:

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